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CONFERENCE

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(B) USOECD 2978

(C) USOECD 1672

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1. CHARGE PROVIDED INFORMATION CONTAINED REF (A) TO SECGEN

VAN LENNEP FEBRUARY 1. SECGEN INDICATED THAT HE GENERALLY SHARES U.S. VIEWS ON APPROPRIATENESS OF AGENDA FOR WASHINGTON CONFERENCE CONTAINED IN FOURTH PARA REF (A), AND RELEVANT OECD INTERVENTIONS ARE BEING PREPARED. HE NOTED THAT DR. ALEXANDER KING, DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR SCIENTIFIC AFFAIRS, WOULD BE ADDED TO OECD DELEGATION TO TAKE PART IN DISCUSSIONS OF ENERGY R & D.

2. SECGEN IS SOMEWHAT CONCERNED OVER RELATIONSHIP TO OECD OF THE ENERGY ACTION GROUP OF SENIOR OFFICIALS WE SEEK TO ESTABLISH. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, HE AGREES WITH NEED FOR INITIATIVE TO PUT COOPERATION AND RESPONSE TO ENERGY SITUATION ON NEW PLANE AND SEES USEFULNESS OF EAG AS GINGER GROUP, BUT WOULD BE CONCERNED IF IT DEVELOPED A PERMANENT STRUCTURE SUBSTANTIALLY OVERLAPPING THAT OF OECD OR IF ITS DID NOT REMIT TO OECD THOSE ASPECTS OF COOPERATION AND CONCERTATION OF POLICY THAT ARE PRESENTLY ITS CONCERN. HE ALSO SAID THAT HE EXPECTED OECD TO BENEFIT FROM AND BE GUIDED TO SOME EXTENT BY THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE, BUT THAT ORGANIZATION WOULD IN ANY CASE MOVE FORWARD WITH ITS OWN WORK. HE CITED FORTHCOMING OECD MINISTERIAL COUNCIL MEETING WHICH WOULD SURELY BE VERY MUCH CONCERNED WITH ENERGY SITUATION. (SEE REF (B).)

3. COMMENT: MISSION SUGGESTS IT WOULD BE WORTH WHILE TO GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO HOW THE OECD MINISTERIAL MEETING CAN FIT CONSTRUCTIVELY INTO OUR BUILDING BLOCK APPROACH TOWARD ENERGY SITUATION. FOR OUR OWN INFORMATION, AND TO HELP US RESPOND TO THE QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS OF THE SECGEN, WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION WASHINGTON MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE ON THE NATURE AND TIMING OF THE SECOND FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE MENTIONED IN REF (A). IN PARTICULAR, WOULD IDENTITY OF COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING SECOND CONFERENCE BE SAME?BROWN

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